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REMARKS

In the Office Action under reply, restriction was required as follows:

Group I claim 15, directed to a learning/thinking machine;

Group II claims 16-18, directed to a learning/thinking method; and

Group III claims 19-28, directed to a computer system.

Without commenting on the accuracy of the Examiner's characterization of the subject matter of the respective groups of claims, Applicant elects, without traverse, Group I claim 15 for further prosecution in the present application. To simplify the prosecution of this application, non-elected claims 16-28 are cancelled.

Applicant reserves his right to file one or more divisional applications to re-present the nonelected claims.

An early examination on the merits of the elected claims is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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